

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. It seems that when big money is offered public interest goes to the way side. To keep the airwaves 'free' large companies such as your Sinclair, must not only think of the bottom line, but more of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central", it is more important for community members to see real people from our own local areas and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's recent actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, rather than allowing corporate dollar to weaken them. This is a prime example why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you for your time.

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